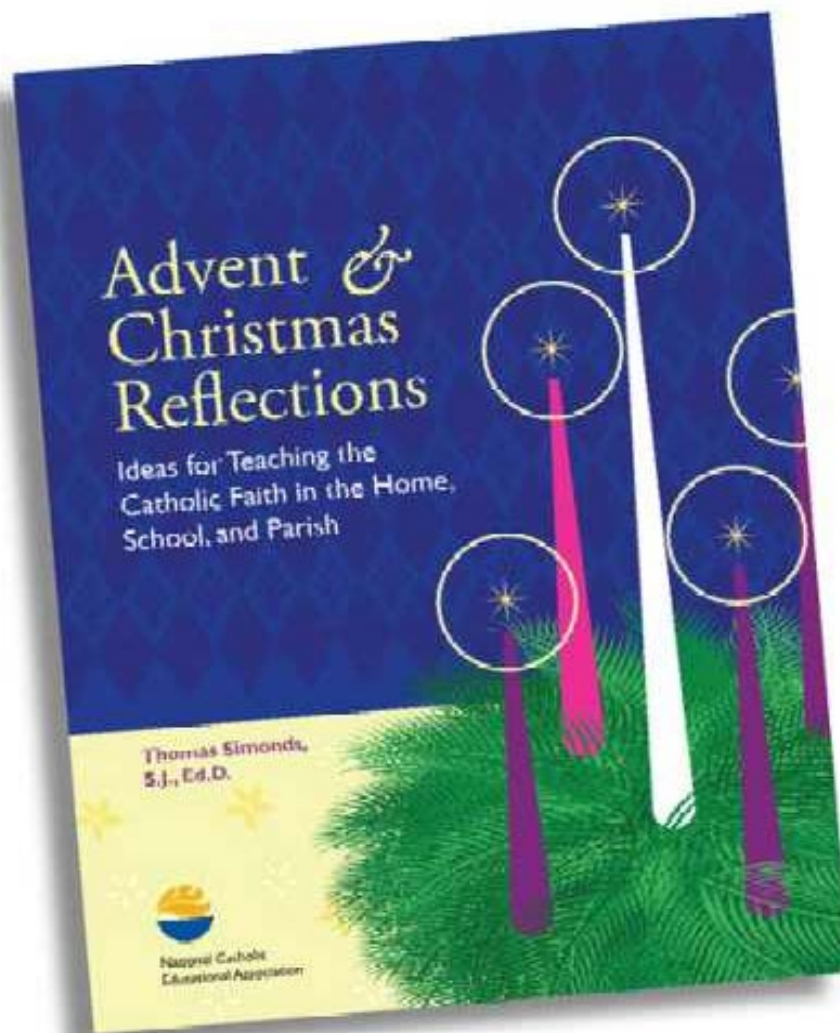


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"Behold, the Lord God comes with might,  
and His arm rules for Him, His reward is with Him,  
and His recompense before Him."  
Isaiah 40:10

### Reflection

Baptism is the first Sacrament that we receive. It is through Baptism that we are called by Christ to follow Him as His disciples. In Baptism we enter the Church, we are cleansed from original sin, and we are adopted as a son or a daughter of God.

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